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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Rango DIETRICH et al.

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For: ORAL ADMINISTRATION FORM FOR PYRIDIN-2-YIMETHYLSULFINYL-1H-BENZIMIDAZOLES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Kindly amend the claims of the above-identified application as follows:

1. (Amended) An oral administration form [for] of an active compound, which is a pyridin-2-ylmethysulfinyl-1H-benzimidazole or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof [and its salts], which comprises the active compound together with a tablet disintegrant[s and is provided with a] in a core which bears a coating film [coating-] customary per se for a sustained [which is] release composition[s].

Claims 8 and 9, line 1 of each, delete "or for combined use with".

Cancel claim 10 without prejudice and insert the following claims in lieu thereof: